

EDITORIALS

The Cook-O-Rama

Housewives of the area, who want to keep abreast of the times in the kitchen and at the same time have a lot of fun and possibly win some valuable prizes, will be on hand for the Cook-O-Rama to be held Thursday and Friday in the civic auditorium.

The modern kitchen is perhaps one of the most practical wonders of the world. Appliance manufacturers have made giant strides since World War II in creating an entirely new atmosphere in what was one of the most drab rooms in the average home. Kitchens today are in a sense living rooms fitted with every device intended to make the housewife's day easier, even pleasant.

The Torrance Cook-O-Rama is under the joint sponsorship of the Southern California Gas Co. and THE HERALD. It will follow the local phase of the national Mrs. America Contest which is being sponsored by the gas company, Torrance Recreation Department, and the Junior Chamber of Commerce. It is entirely free.

All the women of the area are cordially invited to be present both days—Thursday and Friday evenings at 7:30. And because men will find much of interest, they also are urged to attend.

Only Skin Deep

If, as Thomas Browne said, "Art is the perfection of nature," our citrus growing rivals in Florida are regular Rembrandts.

It seems that they have been using coal-tar coloring to make palid oranges look more palatable. The human taste buds are affected, scientists explain, not only by the sense of smell, but by sight as well. Customers weren't buying the unretouched oranges, even though they might have liked them if blindfolded (the customers, not the oranges).

Now the Federal Food and Drug Administration has decided that such gliding of nature is neither dangerous nor deceitful and has granted permission for Floridians to continue sending their oranges to the beauty parlor.

Which causes us to ponder on the oddities of human nature. How often we pass up a real opportunity because it doesn't have a recognizable paint job!

Salute to Realtors

Realtors throughout the nation have been observing "Realtor Week" an observance noted by real estate boards throughout the country. Added well wishes to the realtors came for Albert M. Cole, Housing and Home Finance Administrator as well as governors, mayors, and other leaders.

Observing the week here were the more than 100 members of the Torrance-Lomita Board of Realtors, men and women who form the backbone of real estate progress in this area.

Purpose of the week is to tell the story of realtors and what they stand for.

Realtors are dedicated to upholding the highest ideals of their profession. Not all real estate representatives are realtors. A realtor is a member of the local board which is chartered by the National Association of Real Estate Boards. The term, Realtor, is a coined word and its use is limited to those entitled to be known as realtor.

The value of realtors to the growth of Torrance and the future of this area is beyond estimation. Their contribution to the welfare of the community is a very real thing, and each resident of the area is better for it.

The Squirrel Cage

By REID BUNDY

One new Torrance resident thought he was losing his home before he had his furniture straightened out the other day.

Fire Chief J. J. Benner, a battalion chief, and two truck companies roared out to a new west Torrance home after a frantic call came in that the wiring in the new house was burning up.

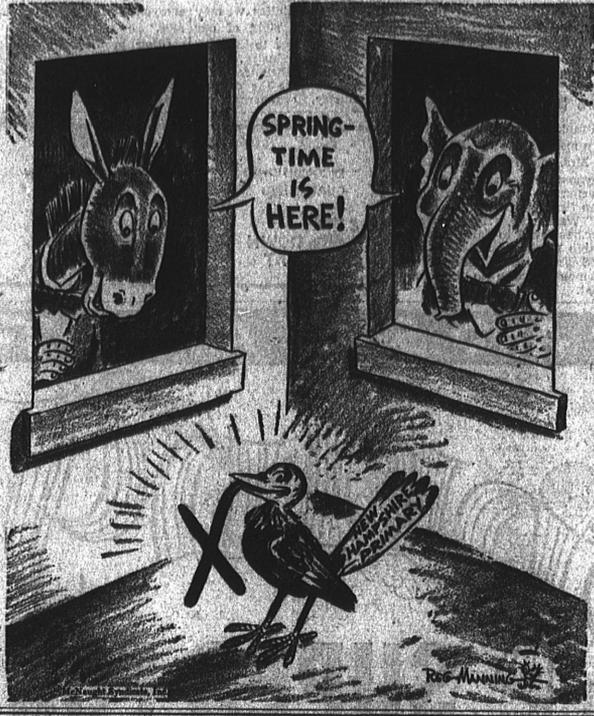
One whiff of the interior was enough to indicate that something was definitely burning, but to the seasoned firemen it was a simple matter. Just open the windows until the paint and dirt had been burned off the new wall heater. The wiring was o.k.

Fellow who sat next to us at a luncheon the other noon had just completed a new home, complete with architect. He's got the formula for estimating the costs down pat—just figure the cost of materials, estimate the cost of labor, and multiply by three.

At Coast, one of the area's most promising young fishers, was busy putting a little gasoline into his blue pick-up truck in a downtown alley Saturday afternoon when a passerby asked,

"What's the matter, Al. Run out of gas?" "No," Al replied. "I always put the gas in this way."

First Robin



Barney's Blarney

By BARNEY GLAZER

Winthrop, my Yorkshire buddy, described his recent trip to the top of the Empire State Building: "I spent 17 and a half cents that day, I know, I'll never forget that strong urge I had for a weak cup of tea. Anyway, there I was at the top. Blimey, but it was high. Suddenly, as I looked down at all those people on the sidewalk below, I felt the urge to hurl myself out of the window!" "What stopped you, old man?" I inquired anxiously, and Winthrop replied: "Horror! I just wasn't in the mood that day to mingle with complete strangers."

Philbrook, our town square, announced: "Any man who maintains that he never gambles had better give up driving on the freeway." Mr. Shook, the cut-rate marriage broker, told me today: "The biggest ups and downs in my wife's life have been her hairdos." My Auntie Draykop moaned over the phone today: "I heard that the American

Trailer Syndicate was having a giant record sale," said my Cousin Noodnik, "but when I got there I couldn't buy a single giant record. They didn't even have any small records. They were selling nothing but trailers." Zelga, my beloved cousin, has been buffing away at her clothes furiously for many years with countless mixtures of cleaning fluid. And always with the same result—It's worse than the original stain. "What this country needs," says Zelga disgustedly, "is a spot remover to remove the spots left by spot removers."

Pinty Pim, my five-year-old nephew, was telling me all about his new-found neighbor. "He used to be a big movie star," confided Pinty Pim. "What is he doing now?" I politely inquired, and Pim replied quite seriously: "Nothing, he's just a man now."

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Plan Your TV Evening For the Best Results

A TV evening can be a lot more pleasant if you plan for it. A few simple suggestions for "visual video" comfort can be worth more than their weight in TV program guides. For example...

That tired eyes feeling you have after a hard day in the home or office—eye drops before your favorite program will ease the strain, so you can sit back and really appreciate the show.

Turn on a moderate room light to counteract the TV's glare. And don't wear sun glasses. Believe it or not, some people do, according to a recent survey.

It's easy to make the mistake of staring too long at that favorite program. Your eyes need a change of pace. Look up now and then, focusing on objects either nearer or farther than the TV screen.

And be sure your set is properly installed so the picture is as clear and steady as the maintenance man can make it. This will pay off in a recent survey.

Before your favorite program starts, be sure you have extra cigarettes, plenty of peanuts or potato chips, extra ice, and beverages handy. There's nothing more distracting to you or to others—than someone who jumps up and down to get things—especially when you're watching a good dramatic show.

Another thing to remember, plan your TV evening so the kids are tucked in bed before it's time to tune in. Of course this means looking at the TV program guide before dinner, and then making sure the kids are tucked in bed before it's time to tune in. Of course this means looking at the TV program guide before dinner, and then making sure the kids are tucked in bed before it's time to tune in.

there's anything that annoys me it's when a friend drops in unexpectedly and finds my house looking the way it always does.

Bunny, our baker, attended a party and told a small group: "I'm proud of my heritage. My mother came from Germany, my father from France, my grandmother from Sweden, and my grandfather from Spain." One of the group interrupted: "That's the big trouble, just too many foreigners in this country." Bunny smiled and replied: "You are wrong, my friend. What you mean is, and Bunny pointed at himself, "there are too many countries in this foreigner."

From figures furnished me by my associate, Red Bundy, I now learn that the combined circulation of this column and the Saturday Evening Post has finally reached 5 million.

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Followed by the husband who sold his wife, "Dear, it has been proved by medical authorities that women need more sleep than men do, so you get to bed right away and I'll tell you tomorrow morning all about the nice time I'm going to have tonight."

It's a good idea to keep your TV program guide handy so you can see it often without getting out of your favorite easy chair. Real TV fans check the guide as soon as they get home from work in the evening and on special occasions regulate room temperature to the whole room. If you have a small screen in a large room, you'll subconsciously strain to see from your favorite easy chair. Or if you're jammed a king-size screen in the window, you'll be overwhelmed and the picture won't be as clear as it should be.

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AFTER HOURS

By JOHN MORLEY

(The second installment in a series of 10 on the explosive question of Palestine.)

FAET 2... THE ARAB IN NANCINIEN PALESTINE

Hebrew history reveals that the word "Arab" comes from the Hebrew "arav" and it regards the Arabs as fellow descendants of Abraham, the founder of monotheism (one God). The Arabs deny this contention. They claim that Abraham came from Arab stock. History also reveals that the Ishmaelites (Arabs) would have been of Abraham had it not been for "the miraculous intervention of the Almighty in giving a son to Sara after her time for child-bearing." They also recognize that the rights of descentancy would have belonged to Isaac's son, Esau, ancestor of the Transjordanian Edomites. Hebrew history refers to the Arabs as "wicked and undependable branch of our race." In the Bible (Chronicles 17:11) Arab is used to describe nomads from across the Jordan, a Jewish settlement. There is much evidence to support the theory that Jews and Arab have a much closer racial affiliation than is generally supposed. In Palestine often you can't tell one from the other by racial characteristics.

History records the greatest rise of the Arab with the Dynasty of Ghassan within the Byzantine empire around the 4th century B.C. But as early as the 7th century, B.C. there is proof that classical Arabic was the spoken language from the Jordan to Persia and Mecca to Jebel Sinjar. Arab influence was dominant in Syria for several thousand years. The Arab prophet, Mohammed, rose from this Syrian culture and united the Arab world into a political as well as a religious unit, with a capital of the empire in Damascus, the oldest city in the Middle East.

We mention this brief background to show that as Palestine history is concerned, the rise of Islam was instrumental in bringing Syria and Palestine into the Semitic world and separating it from the West. It was this separation that resulted in the long wars between Muslim East and Christian West and the decay of the great Hellenistic civilization. It was in this period that Palestine became a part of the vast Arabic-speaking world which included Arabia, Iraq, Syria and Egypt. Like the rest of the Middle East, Palestine suffered from the great wars between Islam and the Mongols, the Crusades, and finally was doomed for centuries by Turkish rule.

Palestine was and still is today almost entirely an agricultural country. The state of Israel in recent years increased its industry more than all previous centuries combined. Until recent years 75 per cent of the population of Palestine was pure Arab and Arabic was the major language spoken, even by Jews.

LAW IN ACTION

take the item back, and return your customer's money. Implied warranties are not spoken or written, but come about by the way you act.

You make someone think and rely upon certain things as facts, when they are not.

For instance, Suppose a man offers to sell you a diamond ring. You have a right to think for him to offer to sell that he owns and has a right to sell the ring. So you buy it, but the store from which the man was buying it on time takes it away from you. The man didn't own the ring after all. Then, you can sue the man. You or the jeweler might also report him to the district attorney.

Since you may have a hard time deciding whether a salesman is puffing or warranting an article, just ask him to write down his claims.

Note: The State Bar of California offers this column for you to know more about

The Palestinian Arab was a direct descendant of Bedouin Arabs and Canaanite stock. Into this original Arab stock were absorbed a conglomeration of races... Hittites, Sanjarites, Philistines, Arabs from Arabia, Transjordan, Hauran, Israelites, Greeks, Lebanese, Crusaders, Circassians and Berbers from North Africa. It was this complicated mixture of blood and race that Ibrahim Pasha tried to mold into an army to defeat the Christian invasion of Palestine. It failed and resulted in an upsurge of Arab nationalism against the Turks. The Turkish Sultan, Abdul Hamid, attacked Palestine and was defeated by the Arabs and Jews.

In 1904, Ibn Saud occupied Central Arabia from the Turks. Under the slogan "Arabs Awake" the League of Arab Bathland was formed in Paris and swept the Middle East. By 1908 the Turkish revolution split the Ottoman empire, with Lebanon and Damascus resigned from the Ottoman parliament, and turning to France and England for support. It was during this disintegration of the Turkish empire that World War I broke out and Turkey joined Germany against the Allies, hoping that victory would restore her empire. The Arab world joined England and France for the promise that victory would bring an end to Turkish rule. England and France proclaimed their ultimate aim to help in a united Arab world, establishing the territorial frontiers and supporting Palestine and Jerusalem as the "seat of government and culture for the Palestinian Arabs."

After the Allied victory against Germany and Turkey in World War I, England and France, instead of fulfilling their promises to the Arabs, began to partition the Arab world and administer those portions in which British and French economic interests predominated. The French made Lebanon a controlled French state... and later did the same to Syria. Britain took control of Iraq and other adjacent Arab lands as a "temporary expedient" leading to autonomy. These unexpected post-war reversals created deep resentment among the Muslim races, and their protests and open rebellions resulted in executions and imprisonment of hundreds of thousands of Arabs and their supporters.

These post-war foreign conquests of Arab territories had an unfavorable effect in the Middle East in another direction. For the first time in centuries the Palestinian Arabs were cut off as a political unit from the Arabs in Syria and Lebanon. Much like the later United Nations partition of Palestine in 1947, the Arab Christians were dismembered from Bethlehem, Nazareth and Jerusalem. If they didn't happen to live in adjacent areas.

It was in this atmosphere of Arab distrust for Britain and France that the Zionist commission came to Palestine to implement the "Balfour Declaration" (to be discussed in another column). Supported by the big powers, including the United States with its important Jewish population and support, the Zionists forced upon the Palestinian Arabs decisions that went far beyond the interpretation of the "Declaration." General Bole, British administrator of Palestine, requested London to dissolve the Zionist commission "for violating orders of my administration and adopt-

ing hostile, erroneous and imposing interpretations of the declaration upon the Arab population." (The Balfour mandate... issued by the British government, page 136). The British government recalled General Bole and placed him with Zionist Sir Herbert Samuel, as Palestine administrator.

In his inauguration address July 7, 1920, Sir Herbert re-leased the "Balfour Declaration" for the first time with a personal message from King George V as follows: "Recalling the Arab support to Field Marshal Lord Allenby in defeating the Turks and freeing the Arabs from Turkish rule... the British government promises to respect and defend all the rights of every creed and race in Palestine." (Part 3... "Origin of Jewish Aspirations for Palestine Home Rule" in next issue of "After Hours.")

(Editor's Note: The San Diego Union, San Diego, Calif.; the Chicago Herald Star, Chicago Heights, Ill.; the Western Star, Lebanon, O.; Commercial News, Los Angeles, are the latest newspapers to join the publication of the syndicated column, "After Hours.")

High School Journalism Contest On A city-wide journalism contest among junior and senior high school newspapers was started last week in Los Angeles. The school newspaper with the best feature story or news item on airports and air transportation will be awarded a trophy to be retained by the school for one year. A smaller permanent trophy will also be awarded to the winner each year. The contest will run from March 15 to May 15 and all entries must be in to the Department of Airports, 5800 Avila Dr., Los Angeles, by noon, May 21.

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